

Amendments to the Specification

On page 1 of the specification, please amend the paragraph following the title
Cross-Reference to Related Applications as follows:

The present application claims priority to the Provisional application entitled
“Methods for Two-Stage Noise Feedback Coding of Speech and Audio Signals,” Serial
No. 60/242,700 (Attorney Docket No. 1875.0250000), Juin-Hwey Chen, filed on
October 25, 2000, which is incorporated herein in its entirety by reference.